

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, October 12, 2021**

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice-President, Jerry Donald, Kai Hagen, Jessica Fitzwater, Phil Dacey and Steve McKay were present for the meeting.

Also present were Ragen Cherney, County Council Chief of Staff; Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary; and Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. virtually.

Opening Statement from Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer provided an opening statement at the start of the meeting. Included in that statement was a welcoming to the Legislative meeting for Tuesday, October 12, 2021 and information on how to watch and participate in the meeting. President Keegan-Ayer called roll and a quorum was established for the meeting.

The meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action on the Agenda

Council Member Michael Blue moved to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Steve McKay seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Business Items:

Budget Journal and Budget Ordinance Amendment to Establish a New Capital Project

Rick Harcum, Chief Administrative Officer, County Executive's Office, and Kelly Weaver, Budget Director, Budget Office, provided information on the Budget Journal

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and Budget Ordinance Amendment to Establish a New Capital Project.

Council Member Michael Blue moved to approve Budget Journal J-22-070, appropriating funding in the amount of \$32,009,311 for the building acquisition, capital improvements and operating expenses of the Oak Street Building and to amend the Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance of Frederick County, Maryland to provide funds for a Capital Project not previously appearing in the Capital Budget for the fiscal year. Council Member Steve McKay seconded the motion that passed 5-2.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey		X	
At-large – Hagen		X	
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

The Council took a break from 6:50 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Public Hearing:

To Consider Bill No. 21-09 – Electric Vehicles

Council Member Kai Hagen presented information on Bill No. 21-09 – Electric Vehicles.

Public Comment was heard from:

- Lanny Hartmann

To Consider Bill No. 21-10 – Establish an Office of Equity and Inclusion and an Equity and Inclusion Commission

Council Member Kai Hagen presented information on Bill No. 21-10 – Establish an Office of Equity and Inclusion and an Equity and Inclusion Commission.

Public Comment was heard from:

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Council Member Comments:

Council Member comments were provided.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President
County Council